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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

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CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,210,000

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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.
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TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. [21]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$16,500,000
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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
On fixed deposits at the daily balance.

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For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [22]

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [23]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital \$324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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CHIEF MANAGER:
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1904. [B]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

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LONDON BANKERS:
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UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
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INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT.
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be
learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [25]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE IN FLATS.
No. 4, RIFON TERRACE.

NO. 15, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD, facing
Race Course.

FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing
Polo Ground.

OFFICES in course of erection, CON-
NAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).

GODOWN No. 3A, BLUE BUILDINGS.

GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.

No. 10, MACDONNELL ROAD.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1904. [65]

TO LET.

NO. 71, WYNDHAM STREET.
CHEAPEST HOUSES IN THE COLONY.

MORRISON HILL GAP ROAD. Nice
Houses, 4 Rooms, Bath Rooms, Out-
houses and Verandahs. Only \$40 inclusive
of Taxes.

WILD DELL BUILDINGS, No. 147,
WANCHAI ROAD. Comfortable and Airy
Flats of 2 or 3 Rooms, from \$25 inclusive of Taxes.
And others to suit various requirements.

S. A. SETH,
Land and Estate Broker,
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [49]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Night.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1903. [36]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STREAMERS.	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOI and KOBE. (Passing through the Inland Sea).	MALACCA A. F. Street.	About 8th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	BALLAARAT C. R. Longden, R.N.R.	Noon, 12th March	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	SIMLA F. R. Summers	About 12th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	BORNEO G. W. Gordon, R.N.R.	About 17th March	Freight only.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWELL, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [4]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG;

PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

Also

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS;

Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers
and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 16th March.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th March.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
BAVERN	THURSDAY, 26th May.
SACHSEN	THURSDAY, 9th June.
ZIETEN	THURSDAY, 23rd June.
SEYDLITZ	THURSDAY, 7th July

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of March, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "ROON,"
of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain G. Meiners, with MAELS, PASSEN-
GERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 14th instant, Cargo and
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 15th March, and Parcels
will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 15th March.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904. [3]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

THE FAVOURITE BRAND FOR TWENTY YEARS.



AS SUPPLIED TO THE LEADING CLUBS AND HOTELS.
PRICE: Per Dozen \$17.00. Per Bottle \$1.50.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904. [38]

THOMAS' HOTEL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, most centrally situated; Well furnished and Airy Bedrooms.
Monthly Boarders accommodated on very moderate terms.

For Particulars apply to THE MANAGER.

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NOTICE

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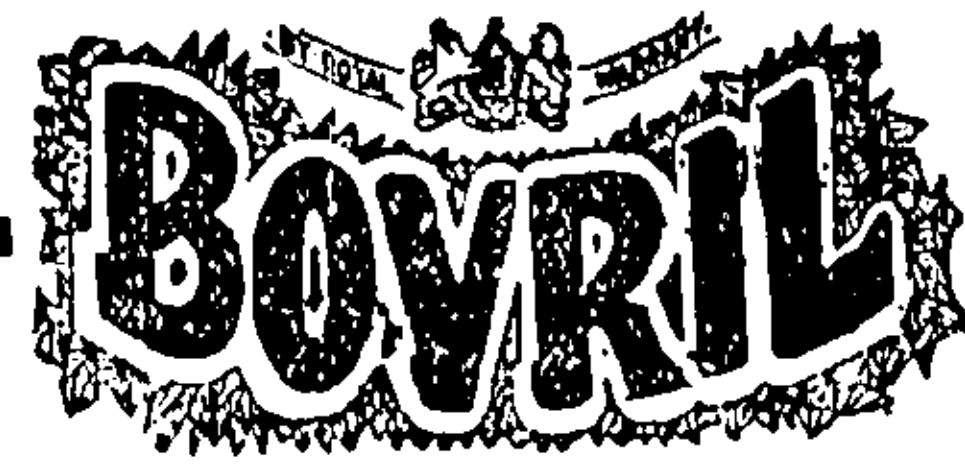
And there is no more Comfortable Hotel in the Far East, than the
MACAO HOTEL.

WM. FARMER,
Proprietor.

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Intimations.

Bovril is an ideal food for the strong
and the weak. Bovril imparts extra
vigor to the healthy, greater strength
to the ailing. Bovril is, moreover, a
true friend in the kitchen. It adds
nourishment, and gives a delightful
"twang" to soups, sauces, gravies
and entrees.



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THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA (MITSUI & Co.)

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N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong

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12 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Picnic parties furnished with wines, etc., at
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Contracts made on special terms with
Caterers, Committees, Messes and Captains of
Steamers. All Wines, Spirits and Beers supplied
are guaranteed.

Price list on application. TELEPHONE No. 135.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1903. [41]

KUPPER'S PILSENER BEERS.

THE LEADING BEER IN THE
FAR EAST.

SOLE AGENTS:

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
15, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1904. [42]

INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that
the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

DR. AUER VON WELSBACH Co.,

VIENNA,

THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT
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ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES,
The Price of which has been reduced to

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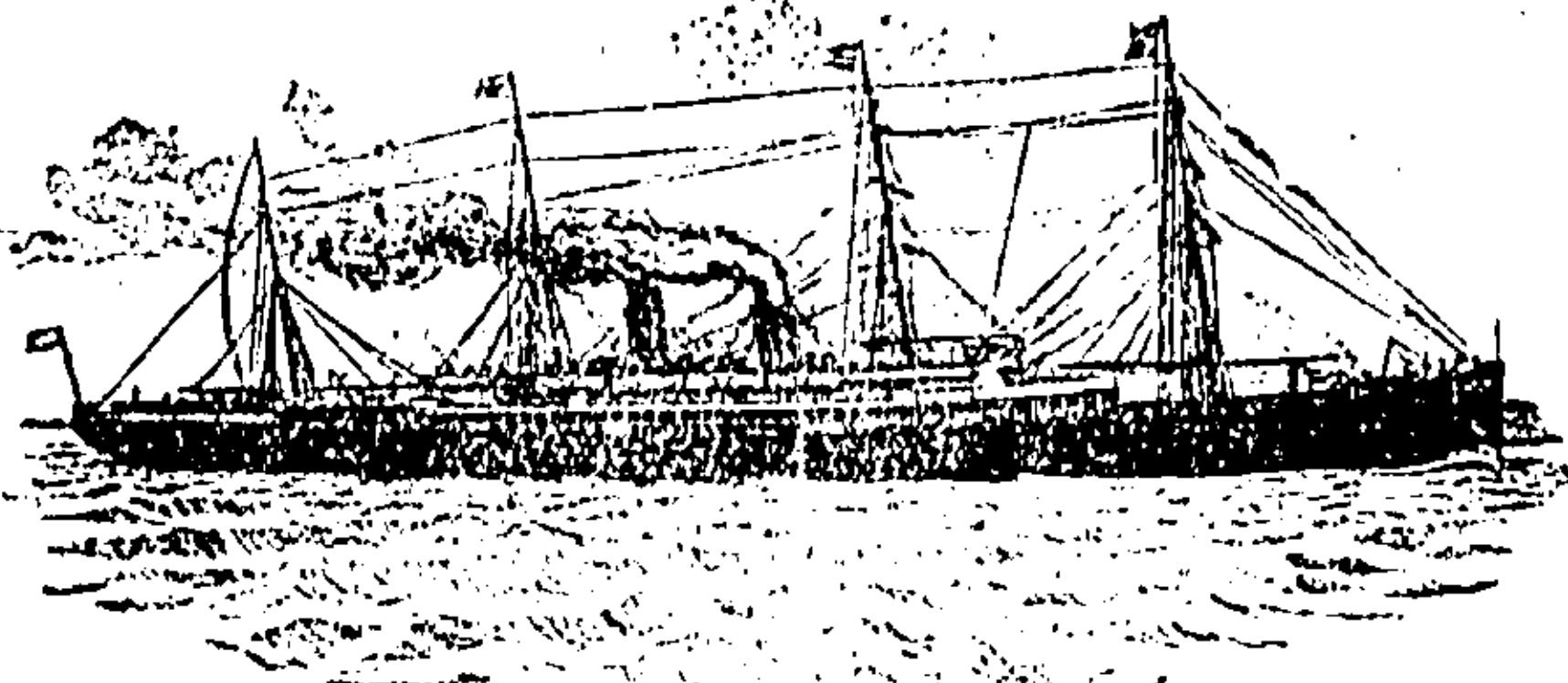
BEWARE OF INFERIOR IMITATIONS!

KRUSE & Co.
CONNAUGHT ROAD

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U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO., TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"KOREA"	11,276 Gross Tons.	THURSDAY, 10th March, at Noon.
"GAELIC"	4,305 "	SATURDAY, 19th March, at Noon.
"CHINA"	5,060 "	TUESDAY, 5th April, at Noon.
"DORIC"	4,784 "	THURSDAY, 14th April, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	11,284 "	SATURDAY, 30th April, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	4,352 "	SATURDAY, 7th May, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Company's Steamship "KOREA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 10th March, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines. Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS. Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

FEATURES OF THIS LINE.

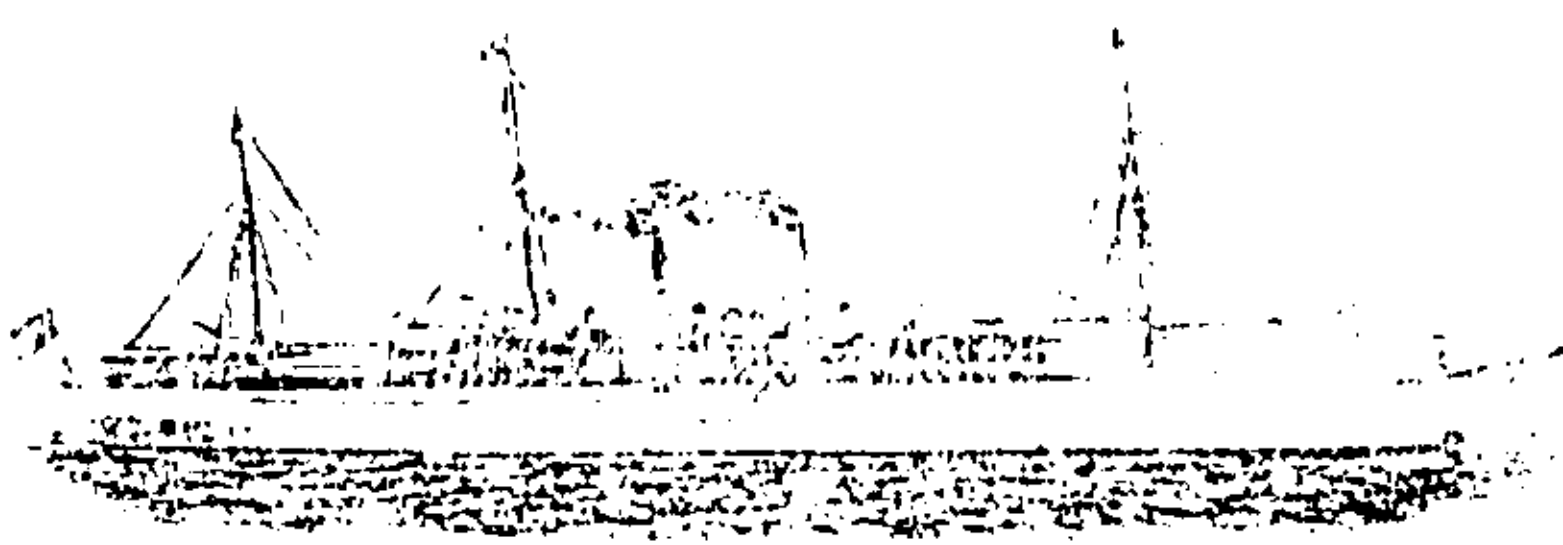
The largest and steadiest and fastest passenger ships on the Pacific. Southern Route; passengers enjoy out-doors throughout; deck bathing. The call at Honolulu, Oahu, the most fertile and beautiful island of the Pacific. The only line to San Francisco, the greatest port of the Pacific. Sailings positively on schedule date.

For further information as to Passages, Freight, etc., apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1904.

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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES. (CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

SAVING 3 TO 7 DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC. "EMPRESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION) R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF JAPAN," 6,000 Tons..... WEDNESDAY, 9th March. "EMPRESS OF CHINA," 6,000 "..... WEDNESDAY, 23rd March. "ATHENIAN," 6,000 "..... WEDNESDAY, 6th April. "EMPRESS OF INDIA," 6,000 "..... WEDNESDAY, 20th April. "TARTAR," 4,425 "..... WEDNESDAY, 4th May. Hongkong to London, 1st Class..... £40. 1st and 2nd Class..... £20. Hongkong to London, Intermediate on Steamers, and 1st Class Rail..... £40. £42.

THE magnificent Twin-screw "EMPRESS" Steamships pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Hand Books, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,

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Hongkong, 24th February, 1904.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
BAMBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	22nd March. Freight.
Miltzoff	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	
SAMBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	23rd March. Freight.
Luning	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	
ABESSINIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	5th April. Freight.
Filler	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	19th April. Freight.
Borck	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	
ARTEMISIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	3rd May. Freight.
Gronmeyer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.)	

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE,

No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904.

GO TO THE KOWLOON HOTEL, KOWLOON.

J. W. OSBORNE, Proprietor and Manager.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM," 2,361 tons, Captain H. D. Jones.
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"FATSHAN," 2,360 " " " A. W. D. N.
"HANKOW," 3,073 " " " C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN," 2,860 " " " J. J. Lusius.
Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at 5:30 P.M. and 9 P.M. (Saturday excepted).
Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M., 2:30 P.M. and 5:30 P.M. (Sunday excepted).
These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN," 1,998 tons, Captain W. E. Clarke.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 2 P.M. and on Sundays at 12:30 P.M.
Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 2,19 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.
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JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD. CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 588 tons, Captain B. Branch.
"NANNING," 567 " " " C. Butchart.
"PAK HING," 618 " " " R. D. Thomas.
Departures from Canton and Wuchow about five times every week. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—
HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,
18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel
Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1904.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

HEAD AGENT: R. BISSCHOP,
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HONGKONG.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIPANAS	JAVA/MACASSAR	Second half of March	JAPAN	Second half of March
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	First half of March	SPICE & JAVA PORTS	First half of March
TJIMAH	JAPAN	First half of April	SPICE & JAVA PORTS	First half of April

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to
THE AGENTS,
THE HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO.
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Hongkong, 29th February, 1904.

Intimations.

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FULL LINE OF SUPPLIES ALWAYS IN STOCK.

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LADIES' SPECIAL TOILET ROOM.

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A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES. Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator. Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists. Launch Service for Guests.

For Terms, apply to

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

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NOS. 4, 5, 6 and 9, AUSTIN AVENUE, KOWLOON, at moderate rentals, with immediate possession.

Apply to HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1904.

TO LET.

NO. 6, BARROW TERRACE, KOWLOON. Available 1st March.

Apply to THE SAM WANG CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1904.

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1902.

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no change has been made in the Rates of Subscription to the Hongkong Telegraph and they are warned against paying more than TEN CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.

THE MANAGER,
Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 28th September, 1903.

Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 875 ft. Width of entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.9 ft. Water on blocks, 28.5 ft. Time to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Works, No. 506; General, No. 376.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. I. and A. B. C. (4th).

Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,

PLUNKET'S GAP, THE PEAK, NEAR THE TRAM TERMINUS, TEL. 56.

For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUNPRACTICE will be carried out from Upper Belchers and Fly Point Batteries in a North-Westerly direction at ranges from 4,000 to 4,500 yards on the 4th March, 1904, and from Stonecutters West and East Batteries in a South-Westerly direction at ranges from 600 to 4,000 yards on the 5th March, 1904.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, practice will take place on the 7th proximo.

Practice will commence at 9:30 A.M. on the 4th, and at 9 A.M. on the 5th, and end at 11 A.M. daily, if the range is clear.

By Command,
A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, TO-MORROW, the 5th day of MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock (NOON) to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Managers and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th February to the 5th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904.

GEO. FENWICK & CO., LIMITED.

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, declaring a Dividend, and electing Director and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th until 10th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. G. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1904.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at 12:15 P.M., on THURSDAY, the 10th MARCH, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 10th MARCH, both days inclusive.

R. J. MACGOWAN,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1904.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that, on and after this Date, they can obtain SCRIP CERTIFICATES for SHARES of the NEW ISSUE in EXCHANGE for HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK RECEIPTS on Application at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1904.

WANTED.

A SECRETARY for THE MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION. Salary \$180 per Month, Free House, Light, Coal and Medical Attendance. Applications to be Addressed PRESIDENT, MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION. Shanghai, 1st March, 1904.

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POSITION as NURSE or TRAVELLING COMPANION to Lady or Children. Return Passage required, if Travelling. Apply to—

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C/o The H.K. Telegraph Office.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1904.

WANTED.

GOOD CLEKK Wanted, European or other. Apply to— ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD. Hongkong, 10th February, 1904.

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1904.

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REASONABLE PRICES. Hongkong, 15th December, 1903.

JAPAN'S MILITARY STRENGTH.

There seems to be a general impression in Europe, which since the Japan-China War has come to look upon Japan as a somewhat bellicose Power, that with the Westernisation of institutions there has gone on a steady expansion of armaments, and that Japan has considerably more men under arms to-day than in the days of the Shogunate. Those who have devoted any time to the consideration of this question will be aware that this is not the case, and at the present moment it may be well to set down a few interesting facts on the matter. Up to a year or two ago the peace footing of Japan's army amounted to 100,000 men; but for some years past there has gone on a strengthening of the divisions which has resulted in adding 50 per cent. to the peace strength. The scheme, which was framed after the Japan-China War, was to come into operation gradually, and it was estimated would not be complete until next year, but it is possible that the events of the last few months have caused its completion to be expedited, in which case it may be reckoned that the peace strength of the Japanese Army amounts to 150,000 men and 30,000 horses, the war strength being 500,000 men and 100,000 horses.

Now the population of Japan is at the present time some forty-four millions, and in comparison with the armies of the various European Powers the war strength of 500,000 can hardly justify the statements sometimes made that Japan seeks by means of her military force to become the dominant Power in Asia. If we turn to the end of the sixteenth century, when there might have been reasonable ground for an apprehension that Japan before the passing of many years would dominate the whole of the Chinese empire, we find the number of men withdrawn from the arts of peace was immensely greater in proportion to the population. Previous to the Korean expedition of Hideyoshi the population of Japan was probably not more than twenty millions. Yet we find that the total gathered together for the invasion of Korea amounted to some 395,000 men, and about two-thirds of these were raised from the islands of Kyushu and Shikoku alone. That was the great fighting army in Japan, when every Daimyo had to keep a large force, and those who were not soldiers were little better apparently than serfs. At that time, in proportion to the population Japan had perhaps a larger army than any country in the world. Again, at the second siege of Osaka, in 1615, it is estimated that there were not far short of 400,000 men engaged, and this did not by any means represent the whole of the fighting men in the country.

Nor does the total of men engaged in the profession of arms seem to have materially diminished during the Shogunate, notwithstanding the long peace enjoyed after the capture by Iyeyasu of Osaka in 1615. When in 1865 the Shogun set out from Tokyo to punish the rebellious Mori of Chushu it is estimated that his army consisted of at least 120,000 men, and it must be remembered that many of the disaffected Daimyo held aloof from this expedition, which seems to have mainly consisted of the Shogun's household troops. In *Yunk Japan* Mr. Black publishes a letter from a Colonel of Artillery in the Shogun's force to his brother in Yedo, which runs as follows:—

"The Tycoon's army (his own retainers), as it left Yedo, consisted of 70,000 men. Of this number 10,000 were altogether equipped and drilled in the European style. This force, say the best judges, is the kernel of the army, and that on which the Tycoon more especially reckons for the final success of the struggle, if it really comes to be serious. Then there are 50,000 men belonging to ten powerful daimyos. These latter left the capital some days before those of the Tycoon; and among them are some few companies—how many it is difficult to say—more or less perfect in foreign tactics. Thus the whole force amounts to 120,000 men."

In view of these facts it is evident that Japan cannot be accused of pursuing a consistently militant policy by training more of her population to the use of arms than in the days before the Westernisation of her institutions. Though it is difficult to obtain exact figures, it seems evident that prior to the reforms of administration which began about 1873 a much larger proportion of the Japanese population was withdrawn from labour and the arts of peace than is the case at the present day, even with Japan's full war strength of 500,000 men.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

Intimations.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
TO-MORROW,
the 5th March, 1904, at 2.30 P.M.,
at their
SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,
(Corner of Ice House Street),
SUNDRY HANDSOME JAPANESE
HAND CARVED CHERRY
WOOD FURNITURE,
Comprising:—
DRESSING TABLE, BED, MIRROR,
CHAIRS, ROUND MIRRORS and
LEATHER CHAIR, &c., &c.
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [32]

PONIES! PONIES! PONIES!!!
THE Undersigned will hold their Annual
Sale of RACE PONIES by Public Roup
as under:—

TO-MORROW,
the 5th March, at 4 P.M., at
KENNEDY'S CAUSEWAY BAY REPOSITORY,
upwards of FIFTY LOTS.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [29]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
MONDAY,
the 7th March, 1904, at 2.15 P.M., within his
residence "LEIGH TOR," The Peak,
THE WHOLE OF HIS
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,
Comprising:—

MOROCCO and TAPESTRY-COVERED
SOFAS and CHAIRS, CANTON CARVED
BLACKWOOD DESK and FLOWER
STANDS, BRONZE and CLOISONNE
VASES, JAPANESE CARVED WOOD
SETTEE and CHAIR, TEAKWOOD
EXTENSION DINING TABLE and
CHAIRS, DINNER WAGGONS, TEAK-
WOOD SIDEBOARD, GLASS and
CROCKERY WARE, DINNER SERVICE,
DOUBLE BRASS-MOUNTED IRON
BEDSTEAD with WIRE and HAIR
MATTRESSES, TEAKWOOD WARD-
ROBES, with BEVELLED GLASS,
MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, COOK-
ING STOVE and UTENSILS, &c., &c., &c.
ALSO
A large number of PALMS and FLOWERS
in 100'S.
Catalogues will be issued
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1904. [395]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
TUESDAY,
the 8th March, 1904, at 10 A.M., at
H. M. NAVAL YARD,
SUNDRY NAVAL OBSOLETE AND
CONDEMNED STORES,
Comprising:—
BOATS ENGINES, OLD BRASS, COPPER,
IRON, PAPER STUFF, CANVAS,
FURNITURE, IMPLE-
MENTS, &c.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE:—As customary.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [327]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

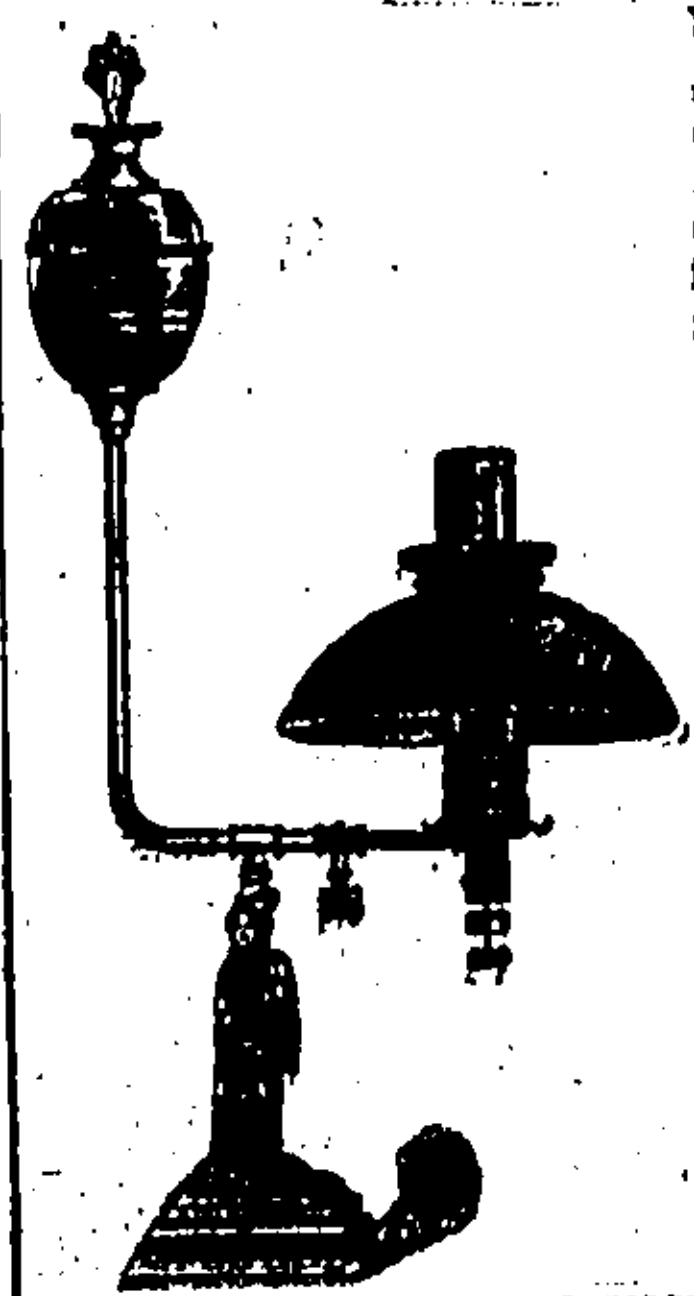
THE Undersigned have received instructions from R. T. WRIGHT, Esq., to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
THURSDAY,
the 10th March, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., within his
residence No. 10, Macdonnell Road,
THE WHOLE OF HIS
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Comprising:—

MOROCCO and TAPESTRY-COVERED
SOFAS and CHAIRS, TEAKWOOD EX-
TENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS,
DINNER WAGGONS, TEAKWOOD SIDE-
BOARD with BEVELLED GLASS, DOU-
BLE BRASS-MOUNTED IRON BED-
STEAD with WIRE and HAIR MAT-
TRESSES, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS,
TEAKWOOD DRESSING TABLE with
BEVELLED GLASS, WARDROBES,
GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, COOK-
ING STOVE and UTENSILS, &c., &c., &c.
ALSO
A large number of PALMS and FLOWERS
in 100'S.
Catalogues will be issued.
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HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [328]

For Sale.

FOR SALE.



TAI KWONG CO.,
16, Lyndhurst Terrace,
Hongkong, 17th November, 1903. [31]

Mails.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
MARITIMES.**
PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, CAL-
CUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI,
EGYPT,
MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON,
HAVRE, BORDEAUX;
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 8th March, 1904,
at 1 P.M., Company's Steamship
"AUSTRALIEN," Captain R. GINGUES, with
Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo will leave
this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call,
WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with
the Australian Line S.S. *Ville de la Ciotat*
bound for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY and
ADEN.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London
as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in
transit through Marseilles for the principal
places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON
only on MONDAY, the 7th March, Specie
and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same
day. No Cargo will be received on board on
TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they
must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents
and Value of Packages are required.
For further Particulars, apply at the Com-
pany's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [9]



**THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND
LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERI-
CAN and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)
THE Steamship

BALLAARAT.
The C. R. Longden, R.N.R., carrying 1,000
tons, will be despatched from this Port for
BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 12th March,
at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the
above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
to Bombay.
Parcels will be received at this Office until a
p.m. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Bills of Lading.
For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 29th February, 1904. [14]

**NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.**

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SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN,
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<i>Victoria</i>	3,502	J. Truebridge	Mar. 16
<i>Tremont</i>	9,666	T. W. Garlick	Mar. 25
<i>Olympia</i>	2,837	A. Dixon	April 27
<i>Luzon</i>	4,417	G. V. Williams	May 4
<i>Tacoma</i>	3,812	M. Ridley	May 13
<i>Shawmut</i>	9,666	W. M. Smith	May 21

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United States and Canada.
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Passage, apply to
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General Agents.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1904. [13]

Intimations.

**THE AMERICAN SYSTEM
OF
DENTISTRY.**

DR. M. H. CHAUN,
27, DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG,
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904. [58]

DENTISTRY.

SUI SANG,
(Lately Practising with Dr. J. SAKATA),
DENTIST,
No. 26, Connaught Road Central,
Hongkong, 6th February, 1904. [57]

TSU FAN

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50, Queen's Road, Central.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1904. [56]

Entertainments.

BOXING! BOXING! BOXING!

AT
CITY HALL,
on
TUESDAY, the 8th MARCH, 1904.
C. C. ST. CLAIR, Middle Weight Champion
of Brooklyn, U.S.A., versus D. MORGAN,
(of "VENGEANCE"), Heavy Weight Cham-
pion of China Station.

Box the Best of 20 Three Minute Rounds for
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LARRY LAYTON, (of "ALBION") will
meet for the Third Time to decide the
Bantam Weight Championship of China
Station, in a 20 Round go, they having
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Each Time.

Two to Round Bouts will also be contested by
Well Known Men.
The Principal Bout commences about 10.30
P.M.
Popular Prices: \$1, \$2 and \$3, Stage Ring
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SON'S where plan of the Hall is on view.

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J. J. GREEN,
Promoter and Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904. [311]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

SEVENTH ATHLETIC MEETING.

By Kind Permission of H.E. The Officer
Administering the Government, the
above Sports will be held under the Rules
of the Amateur Athletic Association on
MONDAY, the 4th APRIL,
on the Ground of the HONGKONG FOOTBALL
CLUB (Kindly lent for the Purpose)
at HAPPY VALLEY.

Entry Forms and List of Events may be had
from the Steward of the Club, Kowloon, or the
Undersigned, C/o Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON
& CO.
Entries Close on MONDAY, the 28th March,
at 5 P.M.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN,
Acting Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 29th February, 1904. [306]

Intimations.

**THE
ROBINSON
PIANO
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SHIPS PIANO
PLAYERS

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CASH OR CREDIT

Hongkong, 6th January, 1904. [39]

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN
CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most
respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind
patronage and support, and desires to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds
of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs
and Collars renewed on old ones.
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Materials can be supplied, if required.
The Superioress will also be most grateful
for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made
into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools,
who are taught by the Sisters.
Hongkong, 27th April, 1899.

Intimations.

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Kong-
moon having been declared a Treaty
Port, an Office of the Imperial Maritime Custom
will be opened there on MONDAY, 7th
March, 1904. Shipment and discharge of
Goods and Passengers will be allowed under
the provisional rules for trade on the West
River separately notified. The provisional
steamer anchorage will be in the West River
opposite the I.M. Customs near the mouth of
the Kongmoon Creek.

F. W. MAZE,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.
Custom House,
Kongmoon, 1st March, 1904. [323]

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Kong-
moon having been declared a Treaty
Port, and the Provisional Regulations of Trade
on the West River of 1897 being under revision,
the following provisional rules will govern
steamer traffic on the West River until further
notice:—
The 1897 Regulations remain in force where
not affected by the provisional rules now
published.

Shipment and discharge of goods and pas-
sengers will be allowed, in addition to Treaty
Ports, at the following six Stages or Ports of
Call:—

Kumchuk, Paktauah, Shuihing, Lotinghau,
Takling and Dosing, and steamers may land
and ship passengers and their luggage at any
of the following ten regular passenger stations:—
Yungki (in Taihung Channel), Kaukung, Kulow,
Wingon, Howlik, Lukpu, Yuetsing, Lukto,
and Fungchuen (in West River).

Passengers' luggage must not contain articles
subject to duty, and the presence of dutiable
articles will render the whole liable to confiscation.

Steamers are divided into two classes:—
1. Local River Steamers running from Can-
ton or Kongmoon to ports up river without
leaving Liang Kwang waters.

2. Foreign-going Steamers from and to
Hongkong, Macao, etc., trading for the
voyage up and down river.

LOCAL RIVER STEAMERS will deposit
their registers with their Consul or (if Consularly
unrepresented) with the Customs at Canton or
Kongmoon, where the Customs, in addition
to inspection or issue of the Arms Certificate,
will issue a Certificate to the steamer to be
called the RIVER PASS valid for the year
during which issued, on expiry of which it
must be either surrendered or renewed at Can-
ton or Kongmoon.

FOREIGN-GOING STEAMERS will enter
the West River either via Kongmoon or via
Canton. If entering via Kongmoon they will
take the Molomoon (Broadway) route and
report at the Mongchao (Lappa Customs)
Station, to comply with the requirements of
previous regulations including issue or inspec-
tion of Arms Certificate, and take out the
KONGMOON PASS. They will then pro-
ceed direct to Kongmoon where, if bound
further up the West River, they will surrender
the said Pass to the Kongmoon Customs, and
deposit their Registers with their Consul or (if
Consularly unrepresented) with the Customs,
and receive a Certificate to be called the
SPECIAL RIVER PASS, without which they
may not trade at any Treaty Port, Port of Call
or Passenger Station. On return to Kong-
moon and when all dues and duties are paid or
accounted for, the Customs, on surrender of
the Special River Pass, will issue a Clearance
which will entitle Steamers to the return of
register and KONGMOON PASS, which latter
is to be surrendered at Mongchao on the way
out for cancellation. If entering via Canton,
steamers will deposit their registers with
Consul or Customs in order to obtain the
SPECIAL RIVER PASS, the surrender of
which on return to Canton will entitle them to
Customs Clearance and possession of Treaty
Ports trading at the West River. Registry
Ports must enter and clear and load and dis-
charge cargo in the same manner as at other
Treaty Ports along the Coast, and in ac-
cordance with the Customs Regulations of the
River Ports concerned.

DUTY TREATMENT.
Cargo arriving from a Foreign Port (a) for
a Treaty Port pays Import Duty at Port of
discharge, (b) for a Port of Call is to be re-
ported at first Treaty Port, Kongmoon or Can-
ton, and pay Import Duty there.

Native Goods imported at a Treaty Port
from a Port of Call without passing another
Treaty Port en route pay Full Import Duty
at Port of Discharge: exported from a Treaty
Port to a Port of Call without passing another
Treaty Port en route pay Export Duty at Port
of Shipment. If passing a Treaty Port en route
Native Goods imported or exported as above
pay Full and Half Duty on discharge or ship-
ment. Native Goods from a Port of Call to a
Port of Call passing a Treaty Port en route
must be reported and pay Full Import Duty at
said Treaty Port.
Cargo shipped at a Port of Call for a Foreign
Port pays Export Duty at Kongmoon or Can-
ton. Foreign-going steamers when applying
for Customs Clearance at Kongmoon or Canton
are required to present a Manifest of all cargo
on board, and either pay Duty or exhibit proof
of duty paid elsewhere.
The above Rules take effect from 7th March,
1904.

R. DE LUCA,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.
Custom House,
Canton, 1st March, 1904. [334]

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1904. [54]

Consignees.

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SINGAPORE
THE Company's Steamship

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
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Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where
each consignment will be sorted out mark by
mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as
the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 7th March will be
subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
All damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns, and a certificate of the damage
obtained from the Godown Company within
ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which
no claims will be recognised.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1904. [316]

Consignees.

**NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship
"PREUSSEN,"
of the NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
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of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being
landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence
delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M.,
TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after 9th instant, will be subject
to rent.

All Claims must reach us before the 14th
instant, or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.

**NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.**
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [9]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"COROMANDEL,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
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B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
1 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 4th proximo, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees,
and the Company's representative at an
appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival, after which
they cannot be recognised.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
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TELEPHONE, 232.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1903.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1904.

JAPAN'S SUCCESSES.

There can be no surer proof of Japan's
striking success in the struggle for supremacy
at sea, which formed the opening phase of
her present conflict with Russia, than the
announcement, contained in our columns
yesterday, to the effect that the leading maritime
enterprise of the Island Empire, the
Nippon Yusen Kaisha, had decided on re-
newing its coasting service on the Chinese
and Korean lines. At the outbreak of the
war, all the steamers of this Company were
under government charter, their owners
being consequently obliged to suspend their
regular services to foreign ports, and thus
affected the foreign trade of the country to
a much larger extent than may be generally
supposed. The rapid success of Admirals
Togo and Umi at Port Arthur and Chemulpo
have proved, once and for all, the advisability
of adopting offensive strategy in naval war,
and the advantage of striking the first
blow, which generally means success, is
of all importance to a country depending
to any extent on its maritime commerce
for existence. The defeat of an enemy's
battle fleet not only leaves the ocean
free for any operations, such as the
transport of troops, the occupation and
creation of any base covered by the
victorious fleet, but it enables the inter-
rupted commercial operations, by the mer-
chant navy of the successful power, being
renewed. The successful actions by Japan's
warships have inflicted considerable loss on
the enemy's sea power and what remains
of this is obliged to remain in Port Arthur,
carefully watched by a largely superior fleet.
The Tsar's vessels are thus deterred from
undertaking any offensive action by know-
ledge of the close proximity of the contain-
ing fleet, which can pursue his ships at once,
should they manage to escape, and restrict
the sphere of his cruisers' action and curtail
their power of raiding Japanese commerce.
Such being the state of affairs, the officials
of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha have now
decided to charter the following foreign
vessels, viz., the *Dunham*, *Ganges*, *Sikh*,
Benbu, *Lanuv*, *Asot*, *Culph*, *Benlamont*
and *Zuane*—it may be mentioned that it is
rumoured that the above named steamers
have been chartered at the rate of Yen 5
per ton. That excellent publication, the
Navy League Journal, has often urged on
the British public that the sums spent in
maintaining our naval efficiency and superior-
ity in time of peace were nothing more than
an insurance premium against the destruction
of our commerce during war time. It would
be difficult for the able exponents of this
theory to find a more weighty and conclu-
sive proof of the truth of their argument
than is offered by the present action of the
Nippon Yusen Kaisha. There is little doubt
that other Japanese companies, interested
in the coasting trade, will shortly follow
the example of their leading shipping firm, which
means that the rapid and successful action
of the Navy of the Mikado will be the means
not only of ensuring the transportation in
absolute security of the Japanese legions,
that are being thrown into Korea, but of
putting important profits into the pockets
of its shipping firms, and, more important still,
of avoiding that trade, established by these
houses, should fall into the hand of neutrals.
The fact that three weeks after an outbreak
of hostilities, bringing about the complete dis-
organisation of their coasting service, owing
to the taking over of their fleet by the
Government for transport purposes and the
fear of Russia's cruisers, the Nippon
Yusen Kaisha should consider themselves
justified in chartering a fleet of foreign
steamers, to fulfill the requirements of their
trade, is a splendid proof of the first
fruits of Japan's naval preparedness, and a
fine example of the daring and enterprise of
her big shipping firm. Such cavaliers as
are continually advocating the reduction of
our Naval Estimates would do well to watch
events in the Far Eastern struggle, for no
better parallel could be desired, with regard
to what would happen to our commerce and
food-supply in event of war, than the
situation of Japan in the present conflict,
since this nation, like ourselves, mainly
depends on her export and shipping trade
for financial success.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE War Office have decided to arm pioneers,
pipers, bandmen, drummers, and buglers with
the rifle.

THE Mexican Republic has advanced Synnon,
an ex-Iber General, ten thousand pounds on
twenty-five years credit, towards the purchase
of lands to be colonised by Boers within three
years. The Boers are to be exempted from
military duty and also taxation.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial
and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge
with thanks the following donations to the
funds of the Hospitals:—

Punchard Lowther & Co. ... \$100
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It would appear that some move is about to be
taken regarding the obstruction caused to navigation
by the barriers in the Canton river. We
notice that the Bridge and Iron barriers, connecting
Dane's Island with the mainland, are
advertised for sale and presume that the
purchaser will be called upon to remove them
within a stipulated period.

A GENTLEMAN touring in the West of Ireland
pulled up to take "a rise" out of a peasant who
was on the roadside with a scythe across his
shoulder. "Well, Pat," asked the motorist,
"what do you call that infernal machine you
have across your shoulder?" "What, do you
call that devil's own construction you're in?"
responded Pat. "Oh, this an automobile,"
replied the motorist. "Begorra," said Pat,
"this is an ought to move-grass, but it doesn't."

A REMARKABLE CURIO collection was exhibited
at Calcutta last month, of which the following
are interesting:—A large bas relief shield of
great antiquity valued at fifty thousand francs,
marble slabs from Palestine representing various
scenes from the old testament, valued at
two hundred pounds each. The latter are six
in number and are all beautifully carved. One
represents Moses turning his rod into a snake
before Pharaoh, another David and Jonathan
swearing eternal friendship.

THE policy of promoting the native officers of
the Egyptian Army to positions of greater
executive authority, though approved of by Sir
Reginald Wingate, has not been adopted by
the Egyptian Government. All the higher
appointments are still given to British officers.
There has recently been a great change in the
personnel of the officers, and, among the
changes, Lord Edward Cecil succeeds Count
Gleichen as Director of the Intelligence
Department of the Egyptian Army.

REFLECTING to a question in the House of Com-
mons on the 24th ult., the Home Secretary,
Mr. A. K. Douglas, confirmed the reports that
Mrs. Florence Maybrick had been removed
from Aylesbury Prison to a convalescent home,
where she will remain until the summer, when
she will be allowed her freedom, and said that
she had been granted a licence under the Penal
Servitude Act. In accordance with Mrs. May-
brick's earnest desire, Mr. A. K. Douglas will
not make public any details as to the time or
place of her release.

MR. D. E. Brown, general agent for the C. P. R.
Co. informs us that, commencing with the
Empress of China voyage 64 sailing from
Hongkong 30th March and Yokohama 8th
April, agents may issue return passages to:
St. Louis, Mo., at the following reduced rates:—
From Hongkong and Shanghai: 1st class, \$8;
Intermediate, \$5. From Nagasaki, Kobe or
Yokohama: 1st class, \$7.4; Intermediate, \$4.4.
The exposition opens on 1st May closes on 1st
December, and tickets may be issued good to
return until 15th December. Intermediate
class will entitle holders to first class rail tickets,
no reduction being made for 2nd class rail.

"P. V. E. of women," is the head-line to a tele-
gram in one of our morning contemporaries,
from its Shanghai correspondent. The dispatch
announces that crowds of female refugees from
Port Arthur and Dalny now besiege the streets
of Chefoo, asking for assistance. This is going
one better than Moses and Aaron, and the
shades of the bequeathed subjects of Pharaoh can
hug themselves and chortle at having escaped
with such trifling inconveniences as a super-
abundance of frogs, flies, boils, blains and
locusts, whereas the unfortunate inhabitants of
Chefoo are stricken with this harrowing eighth
appliance on chronicle by our *confine*. It
would, however, perhaps be wise to consult the
opinion of the sterner sex in the northern sea-
port before making so misogynistical a declara-
tion.

WE have received from the printing department
of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., spec-
imens of the lithographic work in the shape
of two pictorial Chinese calendars. The designs
are of the characteristic native style and rep-
resent symbolic figures with which residents in the
East have become familiar in Chinese pictorial
representations. From a printer's point of view,
the calendars are finished to perfection; the
"register," where a combination of many
colours has to be carefully worked, being really
faultless. When we say that the calendars
could not be better printed in a first-class
printer at home, we have said enough of the
high standard at which the lithographic depart-
ment of our junior morning contemporary has
aimed and succeeded in attaining with such
excellent result. For first-class workmanship in
the "art preservative" of our business community
need not go outside the Colony, as heretofore,
to have their orders executed. The office of
the *South China* should be able to meet every
demand. The Company also send a very use-
ful blotting pad to which is attached a directory
of Hongkong and Canton. This is also excep-
tionally well got up and should find a place on
every merchant's desk in the Colony.

THE Hamburg-America Steamship Company
has decided upon the construction of a con-
siderable number of new ships for its services
to the Far East, the West Indies, and South
America.

It is reported that a carpenter from H.M.S.
Garry fell from the verandah of the Naval
Canteen at 4 a.m. to-day and expired shortly
afterwards. Deceased had only recently ar-
rived in the Colony having joined the ship
from among the relief crews brought out by
the *King Alfred*.

A PROPOSAL has been received by the Por-
tuguese Government from Paris for the sale of
the warship *Dom Carlos*. The power anxious to
acquire the vessel is unknown, but is supposed
to be Russia. The Government has refused
to sell. The *Dom Carlos* was launched at
Elswick five years ago, and is a cruiser of 4,253
tons.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and
officers of the 93rd Burma Infantry will
play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow
(Saturday) evening from 8 to 9.30.

March The Soldier of the Guard (Head)
April Zampa (Head)
May Kitty Gave (Head)
June Sloman, David (Head)
July A Chinese Story (Head)
August Idyll (Head)
September The Cloud of Lure (Head)
October The Cloud of Lure (Head)

GREAT interest is being taken in the tour of the
South African cricketers to be brought to Eng-
land during the summer by Mr. A. B. Bailey.
The game has made very great progress in
South Africa during the last few seasons, thanks
to the encouragement given both native and
Colonial cricketers by such men as Mr. Bailey,
whose right-hand man, by the way, is Mr.
Frank Mitchell, the old Yorkshire amateur.
Major Pooze is also a prominent figure in South
African cricket, and with George Gunn, the
Nottinghamshire cricketer, who is wintering abroad, lately
played a great game in a benefit match a
few months back between home-born and coloured
cricketers. When the Gloucestershire, who
had an engagement in the Colony last winter,
has not been able to pay a return visit, but the
club he went out to coach has again done very
well.

OF the great host of religious and philanthropic
societies which derive their support and work
from England as a centre by common consent
the highest place is given to the Bible Society,
the queen of all these organizations, but as the
same time the servant of all. The Bible Society
will be a hundred years old on March 7th
Sunday, March 6th, is being kept as Bible Sun-
day throughout the world with services and
sermons everywhere commemorating the mis-
sion of the Bible among men. These same
dates are being observed in Hongkong. On
Monday next a great meeting will be held in
St. Andrew's Hall at 5.30 p.m. to commemorate
the centenary of the Bible Society. The Hon.
F. H. May, C.M.G., the Officer Administering the
Government will preside. Addresses will be
given by Bishop Hare and the Rev. T. W.
Pearce, Hon. Secretary of the Local Committee
of the Bible Society.

RUSSIA AND THE OPENING OF
MANCHURIAN PORTS.

INTERESTING ARTICLE IN A RUSSIAN JOURNAL.

It was recently reported by telegram that the
Russian Government had refused to grant an
exequatur to the American Consul appointed
to Antung in virtue of the American-Chinese
Commercial Treaty on the ground that no
foreigners could be permitted on the Liaotung
peninsula during the war. How that Treaty is
regarded by the "forward" party in Russia
may be seen from the following translation of
a recent article in the *St. Petersburg Gazette*—

"As regards those treaties which China,
after extreme hesitation, has ratified, the Pek-
ing Government has taken an exceedingly
risky step, which may place it in a very
awkward situation. China has by one stroke
of the pen opened to foreign trade the
principal centres of Manchuria, entirely ig-
noring the position created at the present time
in Manchuria by the presence there of our
troops guarding the railroad owned by us.
These economic interests in Manchuria have
certainly given us rights of hypothecation. To
say the least, it was in the highest degree im-
politic on the part of the Celestial Empire to
offer freedom of trade on territory not altogether
its own, without previously obtaining the con-
sent and permission of Russia. Our country
cannot, and will not, permit its lawful rights to
be interfered with, and it is exceedingly pos-
sible that the only way out of the position will
be the formal annexation of Manchuria to the
Russian dominions. Such a step would be
justified on many grounds. We are forced to
it, and it has been brought about by the policy
of the Chinese Government. Such a step,
once accomplished, would not call forth any
protest from the Powers, they having long been
prepared to expect it and to regard it as un-
avoidable. No clear point could give rise to
no rupture with the United States, the more so
as America has no desire to engage in any
actively hostile politics, having before her the
full knowledge that if anything in the shape of
a Japanese-American combination were effec-
ted, Russia would not stand isolated, but have
France on her side. Japan would protest, but
that does not alter the present situation, as
after the rupture, which has so far been avoided
matters would not undergo any great change.
As regards the trading rights of America, the
question could be arranged without staining
the Russo-American relations. It is well
known that American policy is distinguished
above all by its practicality. Where trade
interests are concerned it is always possible to
arrange some compromise with her. China
has imprudently forced others to place dots on
the map. The same policy will be applied to
her, to her detriment, in future."

CAPT. BARNES-LAWRENCE, R.A.

OUR NEW HARBOUR MASTER.

"If my hours in your midst are numbered in
Gibraltar they will never be forgotten in Hong-
kong. When chimed by this beautiful time-
piece, I shall constantly be reminded of the
Mediterranean Rowing Club to whose members
I now wish all possible happiness and success."
Such were the concluding words of Capt. Barnes-
Lawrence, our new harbour master, in acknow-
ledging a souvenir presented to him at Gibra-
lar by the members of the Mediterranean Row-
ing Club. Among other presentations was an
address of the Chamber of Commerce, and a
smoker's cabinet from one of the local row-
ing clubs. The *Gibraltar Chronicle* of 27th
November, referring to his departure, says: "It
is with great regret that we learn the approach-
ing departure from the Rock of Capt. Barnes-
Lawrence, R.N. A few weeks ago the Captain
of the Port received an offer of promotion to a
similar position at Hongkong. Whilst still
undecided as to whether he should leave us
and all the work, which he has undertaken
here, he received a further intimation from
Home that it was trusted that he would avail
himself of the offer, and so he leaves us in
January. What is our loss in their gain, and
when he goes Capt. Barnes-Lawrence will carry
with him the best wishes for the future hap-
piness of himself and his family, in their
Far Eastern home, of the large number of friends
whom he will leave behind him, whilst he will
have the satisfaction of knowing that, amongst
his other works, he has left behind him the
King Edward VII Home, in which he has
taken such a great interest, as a going concern.
An address was also presented to Capt.
Lawrence by the Calpe Rowing Club and
reads as follows:—

Captain Barnes-Lawrence,--We, the Mem-
bers of the Calpe Rowing Club, have much
pleasure in welcoming you this evening, a
pleasure, however, tinged with the regret that
the exigencies of the service are taking you
away from us so unexpectedly and suddenly.

The happy associations that have existed
between the members and yourself during your
connection as Vice-Patron for nearly six years
will ever dwell in our memory, and the annals
of the Club will also testify to your kindly
interest in our welfare, evinced on every
occasion in so practical a form.

In bidding you good-bye, we would ask you
to accept a small souvenir of our esteem and
gratitude; it is but a small tribute of our
appreciation, but we all trust you will accept it
as a token of our acknowledgment of your
many acts of kindness and good will (with
which we couple those of Mrs. Barnes-
Lawrence) to the members of the Calpe
Rowing Club.

We wish you and Mrs. Barnes-Lawrence
and daughters Godspeed and a happy and
prosperous future in your new home.

P. LARIOS, President,
for the Members.

(Hee follow a list of the Members.)

AT THE THEATRE.

"THE BELLE OF NEW YORK."

This sprightly musical comedy, performed
for the second time by the Dallas Company,
drew a crowded audience at the Theatre Royal
yesterday evening. Miss Alice Wade was as
popular as ever in the title rôle. Her acting
and dancing are excellent, and were her voice
submitted to more careful training she would
be all that could be desired as *Violet Gray*.
Miss Violet Frampton was a delightful *Fi-Fi*
Fricot, her rich voice and winning manner
evoking the enthusiasm of the spectators. Mr.
Percival Knight and Mr. Ritter Riley, as the
Reformer from Cohoes and *Blinky Bill*, were
the object of several recalls in their humorous
creations, as was also Mr. Frank Cochrane, as
Hurry Brown, whose fine baritone voice finds
unwonted favour with the public. The remain-
der of the Company ably supported the leading
artists in their task. A violin solo by Mr.
Gandolfo Marzullo, of H.M.S. *Vengeance*, was
loudly applauded in the second act. To-night
the *Messenger Boy* will be staged, and a full
house is likely to greet this amusing comedy.

FOREIGN VESSELS FOR THE
COASTING TRADE.

REMARKABLE PROCEDURE OF MARITIME
OFFICIALS.

With reference to the special telegram from
our Yokohama correspondent, printed in our
yesterday's issue, following from the *Kobe*
Chronicle will be read with interest:—
It is well-known that various foreign vessels
are now being chartered for the coasting trade
by Japanese companies. Before they can be
permitted to enter upon the coasting trade,
however, they have to undergo examination at
the hands of the maritime officials, and accord-
ing to information reaching us from a member
of the shipping community, the procedure is
certainly remarkable. Our informant says it is
somewhat amusing to observe how the Japa-
nese officials discredit Lloyd's certificate car-
ried by British ships entering the Japanese
coasting trade. We are informed that in the
case of the *Scotman*, recently put on the
coasting trade, the ship was subjected to a
severe overhaul, particularly machin-
ery, and considerable expense and delay result-
ed from the execution of sundry alterations
ordered by the Government officials, despite
the fact that the ship held Lloyd's certificate.
Our correspondent says other British ships now
in the harbour are also undergoing this rigid
examination, which he thinks ridiculous in face
of the fact that the vessels possess a certificate
which is recognised in all countries of the
world.

DINNER TO SIR FREDERICK
TREVES.

The Hongkong and China branch of the
British Medical Association entertained Sir
Frederick Treves, Bart., K.C.V.O., C.B., to din-
ner at the Hongkong Hotel last evening. Col.
W. E. Webb, R.A.M.C., presided over a large
gathering, which included Sir W. M. Good-
man (Chief Justice), the Hon. Dr. Atkinson
(Principal Civil Medical Officer of Health),
and most of the members of the profession in
the Colony together with Army and Naval
medical officers. The toast list comprised
"The King," given from the chair, "The
Navy, Army and Reserve Forces," proposed by
the Hon. Dr. Atkinson, and responded to by
Dep. Insp.-General Drew, R.N., Col. Brown,
R.F., and Surg.-Capt. Stedman, R.V.C.,
"Our Colony," submitted by Dr. G. P. Jordan
and responded to by Sir W. M. Goodman, and
the toast of "Our Guest" given from the
chair and acknowledged by Sir Frederick
Treves.

FOOTBALL.

To-morrow afternoon on the Happy Valley
the Hongkong Football Club will play V.R.C.
Kick-off at 4.15 p.m. The following will play
for the Club:—F. H. Kew, goal; H. C. Austen
and E. F. Ancott, backs; H. C. Gray, C. T.
Kew, and G. P. de Martin, halves; W. H.
Williams, C. R. S. Cooper, N. H. Rutherford,
J. W. C. Bonnar, and H. A. Brent, forwards.

The V.R.C.F.C. will play the Hongkong
F.C. to-morrow at 4.15 p.m. on the Hongkong
F.C. ground. The following will play for the
V.R.C.F.C.:—Forwards, H. W. Sayer, Glad-
well, Gomes, Hamblin, A. Marti; half-backs,
F. Forbes, H. S. Holmes, E. Humphreys;
backs, E. R. Herton, J. Witchell; goal, W. A.
Crake.

TRADE WITH THE FAR EAST.

ALFRED HOLT AND CHINA MUTUAL LINE.

There has been for several weeks past extra-
ordinary activity displayed at the Morphet
and Egerton Docks. Birkenhead, in consequence
of what may be described as an unprecedented
rush of cargo to the Far East by the Alfred
Holt and China Mutual Line, belonging to the
same firm. One day recently, the spectacle in
the dock was unique, for there were four Holt
boats in evidence at the same time, and they
left on the same day. These were the *Idoneus*,
the *Agamemnon*, the *Arctichis*, and the *Mac-
hion*. Few persons engaged at the docks have
ever seen such a simultaneous aggregation of
steamers belonging to the same firm, says a
home paper just to hand. The *Machion* was
only departing to visit some British ports with
goods before preparing a return journey. The
ships outward bound one week were the
Idoneus, for Shanghai, and the *Rhipens*, for
Penang, Singapore, Hongkong and Japan. The
latter is an extra and special boat, which has
been on the station to meet emergencies, in
consequence of the two outward-going Far
East boats, the *Idoneus* and the *Agamemnon*,
being unable last week to take in the cargo,
which arrived from Manchester, Lancashire
generally and other centres. The cargo
was of such quantities that it made
quite a block at Egerton Dock shed, and
could only be cleared by persistent and well
organised efforts. The scene at the goods
stations of the Cheshire Line (the Great Nor-
thern, Midland, and Great Central) and also at
the London and North-Western Morphet Goods
Station was in every respect remarkable. The
merchandise consisted chiefly of enormous
quantities of cotton goods and miscellaneous
articles, machinery, &c. All the railway sta-
tions have been working at considerable pres-
sure, but at the Egerton Dock tin shed, which
is the feeding ground of the Far East vessels,
the activity displayed has been quite abnormal.
The shed has been so blocked with goods that
it was found impossible to take in the material
that was arriving, and this had to remain at
the railway depots till such time as a partial
clearance into the ship could be effected,
when further consignments of goods were
permitted to enter. The pressure has been
met by night and day exertions and by
great energy on the part of the official staff.
There was various reasons assigned for the
abnormal spurt in the Far East trade, the
chief and most popular one being that ship-
pers were anxious to get their goods landed,
if possible, in China and Japan before the out-
break of hostilities. This, however, is not
regarded in the official circles immediately con-
cerned as the real reason, though it may ac-
count to a large extent for the undoubted in-
crease of shipments. In the Far East trade
about the season there is always more or less
of a rush, though in the memory of those ac-
tively engaged for years at these docks, or in con-
nection with the Holt Line of steamers, there is
nothing like the pressure of this year. Goods
of all kinds were being brought into the docks
from the various railway depots, while large
quantities were also arriving by water—by the
ship Canal, the Shropshire Union, Liverpool
and Leeds Canal, &c. It is expected that the
extra boat put on by Messrs. Holt will relieve
the situation, and meet all demands for the time
being.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

American (Korea) 5th inst.
French (Armand Rebe) 7th inst.
Indian (Armaton Apar) 8th inst.
American (Gaelic) 9th inst.
Indian (Kusang) 15th inst.
Canadian (Empress of China) 15th inst.
American (China) 25th inst.

The P. & A. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Indramaha* from
Portland, Oregon, arrived at Yokohama 4
p.m. on 3rd inst., and is expected to arrive in
Hongkong on 15th inst.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Tartar* arrived at
Kobe at 7.30 a.m. on 2nd inst., and left again
at 6 a.m., Thursday, for Yokohama, where she
is due to arrive at 11 a.m. on 4th inst.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

TELEGRAMS.

(Ruter's.)

The War.

LONDON, 2nd March.
General Kuropatkin starts for Manchuria on the 12th inst.

Five Russian torpedo boats have left Port Said for Algiers. It is reported that they are directed to waylay and search vessels in the Mediterranean for contraband of war.

Japan has issued a reply to the Russian notes of the 24th February, in which she justifies the rupture, especially owing to Russia's ever-increasing military preparations. The Japanese announcement on the 6th February that she would take independent action naturally meant open hostilities.

LATER.

The *Dimitri Donskoi* has been granted five days to repair at Suez.

Twenty-five Japanese officers departing for Japan were warmly cheered at Euston Station, London, yesterday.

Contraband of War.

Great Britain and the United States are conferring with the view of concerted action to safeguard their respective interests regarding contraband of war.

The Neutrality of Korea.

It is considered in Berlin that Russia cannot maintain the fiction of the independence and neutrality of Korea after the publication of the alliance between Japan and Korea.

British Military Drafts for the Far East.

One hundred and fifty Sherwood Foresters, a draft of the Army Service Corps for Hongkong, and 995 of the 2nd bat. of the 4th Manchester for Singapore embark per P. & O. *Str. Manila* on Saturday.

SIR HENRY BLAKE.

AN OFFICIAL APPRECIATION.

There are days of appreciations and estimates—even of reconsiderations and bold revisions of verdicts that one should have thought their age and authority had rendered unquestionable. Not long ago we (*Ceylon Independent*) recorded the eulogy passed by the Secretary of State upon the Administration of the Colony by Sir West Ridgeway, a Governor who by common consent is reckoned the ablest that had borne office amongst us since the days of Sir Henry Ward. And now we have the pleasure of referring to similar praise bestowed upon our present Governor in respect of the charge he had left to take up his appointment here. It will be remembered that Sir Henry Blake on his leaving Hongkong was the recipient of the most cordial and the most flattering demonstrations of popular regard. It was thought, indeed, at one time that his popularity was only with the native Chinese community, and on that supposition a most absurd misconception was put upon it. But the mistake was instantly corrected, and His Excellency declared, amid the most enthusiastic acclamations, that his aim had been not the preference of class over class but the distribution to all of that equal and impartial justice which it is at once the duty and the privilege of every representative of His Majesty to administer and to uphold. Reports of what had been said and done duly reached England, and now we have a despatch from the Secretary of State saying he has read these reports with great interest, recording the pleasure with which he notes the evidence they afford of the esteem in which the Governor was held by all classes of the community and cordially endorsing their opinion of the ability and success with which he has administered the Government of Hongkong during a period marked by events of much importance to the well-being of the Colony, and marked also, unfortunately, by serious outbreaks of that epidemic which is familiar to us as having wrought such havoc upon the neighbouring continent. The despatch alludes in especial to the debt of gratitude which Hongkong owes to its late Governor for the vigour and energy he displayed in battling with this terrible scourge, and for the remarkable success which attended his endeavours.

All these form the happy omen for us who have the good fortune to be under the rule of one with so good and so high a record. Ever since his arrival amongst us, indeed from the time that his appointment was known, speculation has been busy in trying to discover what manner of man the new Governor is. It cannot be said that the speculation has been altogether successful. Sir Henry Blake is apparently not accustomed to wear his heart upon his sleeve. His public utterances since he came amongst us have been very few, and in the speeches he has made upon these occasions he has not been too forward to gratify the eager inquisitiveness of his audiences as to any definite features of his policy. So much the better in our judgment. It is clear that he is still studying his new surroundings. It is clearer still that he is determined he should be known by his acts rather than by his prophecies and promises. But his past record, and the testimony to which we have just alluded, afford the strongest guarantee that his tenure of office in this Island will be as distinguished and as fruitful of good to those among whom he bears rule as his career has been in other offices in which he has served His Majesty. And in this connection it is gratifying to note the intelligence that he will remain amongst us for more than the two years which it was at first thought was the limit of his intended stay. There is no reason, as far as we are aware at present, to suppose that he will not hold the office for the term for which it has been usual for Governors of this Colony to hold it. At all events it is earnestly to be hoped that he will hold it for at least the usual term.

THE WAR.

BUYING "WIRELESS" APPARATUS.

The Russian Military Attaché at Berlin has placed an extensive order with the General Electric Company for wireless telegraphy apparatus to be sent out for the Russian warships at Port Arthur.

The Japanese are purchasing similar apparatus in Vienna.

The German Wireless Telegraph Association is making extensive preparations in the Far East to secure the large business which will certainly result from a war between Russia and Japan. Many wireless installations have already been established at Far Eastern ports, and others are in course of erection.

RUSSIA'S BLACK SEA FLEET.

THE QUESTION OF THE DARDANELLES.
It is stated that Vice-Admiral Skrydloff, Commander-in-Chief of the Black Sea Fleet, has received instructions within the last few days to hold two battleships, two cruisers, and six destroyers in instant readiness for departure to the Far East, in case the consent of the Porte be obtained to the passage of the Dardanelles by these warships. Another report says that five battleships are being prepared at Sevastopol for the contingency referred to.

RELATIVE NAVAL STRENGTH IN THE EAST.

SIR WILLIAM WHITE'S CONCLUSIONS.
In comparisons of the naval forces of Russia and Japan there is general agreement that the latter has superior strength in the squadrons now in the Far East. This is the conclusion reached by Sir William White in articles recently published in the *Week's Survey*, wherein are enumerated the various classes of modern ships which each of these Powers can bring into line. It is also stated that Japan gains in the homogeneity as well as individual power of the six first-class battleships she has built in England during the last six years, and in the splendid squadron of six modern armoured cruisers just completed. Further, she has the enormous advantage of possessing many fortified bases of operations and well-equipped dockyards capable of repairing ships rapidly; whereas Russia has only Vladivostok which is frozen up in winter, and Port Arthur which is alone incapable of meeting the requirements of the large fleet now in the Pacific. Account have already been published—probably well founded—that many of the Russian ships require docking and cleaning, their bottoms being foul and their speed greatly diminished in consequence, while their coal expenditure must be correspondingly increased. This is a very serious matter, and will add to the superiority in speed of the Japanese squadrons. The Russian fleet is also relatively very weak in armoured cruisers, and for many operations in a naval campaign in these waters the cruisers will be of greater value than battleships. The recent purchase of the Argentine cruisers by Japan increases this inferiority in the Russian cruising squadron. The Japanese have actual war experience at sea, and are past masters in organisation. All these facts make their success almost probable, and Russia in naval authorities recognise that this is so, desiring to postpone hostilities, if they must come, until five important ships now building are brought into line. The Japanese are keenly alive to this also, hence their determination to accept no further delay. They reasonably prefer to force a struggle now rather than wait until the five first-class battleships now building on the Neva are completed. One of these the Russians hoped to have finished and despatched before the end of last year. Great efforts were made to secure this result, but without success. It is difficult to say when these vessels will be finished, Russian delays are proverbial in warship-building. But for this year (1904) it is hardly probable that more than two out of five will be ready for service.

It has been stated that Russia has large reserves, and that even if Japan won in the first encounter her best ships would sustain such damages in action as to be laid aside many months for repair, while Russia might organise and despatch a second fleet. This is not a correct view of the situation. Russia has no such reserve of warships available for service. The Black Sea fleet contains, it is true, a number of ships of modern construction, and a few of others practically obsolete or unfitted for ocean service. But under existing treaties none of these vessels can issue from the Black Sea, and other Powers may very properly insist on the observance of those treaties. For years past Russia has bent all her energies on the construction of ships for the Pacific. Her own shipbuilding resources have been added to by placing orders in France, Germany, and the United States. As soon as ships have been completed they have been despatched to the Far East. But the final result leaves them still in an inferior position, for the Japanese Government, having framed an answering programme, provided the means for its rapid construction, and added by British skill and manufacturing capabilities in ships, guns, and armour, have achieved the unquestioned superiority in naval force now that a crisis has arisen. Russian communications between Port Arthur and Vladivostok are at the mercy of the Japanese fleet, their only naval station available in winter will be isolated, and in case of reverse in action the Russian fleet will be in a most precarious position. These considerations should make for the maintenance of peace.

WHO ARE THE ELDER STATESMEN?

In British administration there is no exact parallel to the *Genro*, or Elder Statesmen. The body was founded about seven years ago. It consisted of those men who had served their country well before the present Administration came into force—in fact, when Japan was under a kind of feudal system. Those who had become famous in war or finance or other political departments were formed into a council under the new Constitution. This council is convoked by the Mikado at any critical time, and the members forming it give him advice as to what course or policy he should adopt. Their decision, however, has no weight over the Constitution; they give their advice, but it is not necessarily followed. They resemble our own Cabinet Council shorn of its authority.

A statesman, once a member of the *Genro*, is always a member, irrespective of whether he is in or out of office. No additions are made to the body, and in time it will be extinct. At the present time the *Genro* consists of four or five members, among them being Marquis Ito, Marquis Yamagata, Count Inouye, and Count Matsuyama. These are all that is left of what was once a numerous body. Marquis Ito, who is about sixty-three years of age, may be regarded as the man who has made Japan a modern nation. He has for a long time

enjoyed the confidence of the Emperor. He has been decorated by the King, and although ex-Premier of Japan, is perhaps the greatest statesman in the Far East.

The Marquis Yamagata may be described as the "Boss" of Japan. He is at present Field-Marshal of the Army, and the greatest military authority in his land. He was of that band of patriots who assisted the Emperor to the restored throne, and naturally he enjoys his master's confidence. He is getting on for sixty-six years of age, but is still unimpaired mentally and physically.

Count Inouye shares with Marquis Ito the title of reformer of Japan. He, with his distinguished compatriot, left the East when they went back they took Western ideas with them. At that time the Japanese did not wish to be reformed and modernised, and his life was often in danger from fanatics. He was the Japanese Ambassador at the Court of Berlin some years back. Count Matsuyama has twice been Premier of Japan, and served for fourteen years as Finance Minister. He is one of the greatest financiers Japan ever produced, and his country owes it to him that she recovered so rapidly after the Satsuma rebellion of 1877. He is getting on for sixty-eight years of age, but is strong and healthy, and his country counts upon many years of valuable service from him.

ITALIAN WARSHIPS FOR THE FAR EAST.

The following Italian warships have received orders to leave for the Far East:—The *Mario Polo* from Naples, the *Dagala* from Venice, and the *Umbria* from Spezia. The *Vettor Pisani*, the *Piemonte*, and the *Elba* are already on the station. Four others, namely, the *Veltro*, *Giulio*, *Colombo*, and *Stafetta*, have been detached from the Red Sea and Indian Ocean, and are concentrated in the Gulf of Aden awaiting orders. The *Mario Polo* will bring out Admiral Deliberti, who will command the Italian Squadron in the Far East.

THE "KOREA" SEARCHED BY THE JAPANESE.

The P. M. steamer *Korea*, which arrived at Nagasaki on the 25th ult., had to undergo an official examination there. According to information reaching a contemporary, it is alleged to have been discovered that the vessel carried tunnel beds and other provisions valued at some ¥1,000,000 for the use of the Russian Army, it being the intention of the vessel to proceed to Shanghai and thence to Port Arthur. Whether the *Korea* was allowed to proceed we have not learned.

ACTION AGAINST AN OSAKA JOURNAL.
The *Osaka Mainichi* has been charged with a violation of Article 22 of the Press Law and Order No. 1 of the Navy Department. The alleged offence of the Osaka journal consists of matter published on the 12th ult., in connection with the naval fighting at Port Arthur, in which the organisation of the Japanese squadron was referred to. The authors consider the *Mainichi* liable to be punished for publishing matter relating to the plan of operations. The case was put down for hearing on the 25th ult. in Osaka.

WAR ITEMS.

The following items are taken from Kobe exchanges received to-day:

An official report has reached Tokyo, stating that it was finally agreed yesterday (26th ult.) that the Russian gun-boat *Hamdun* now lying at Shanghai should be disarmed and detained until the conclusion of the war.

Although Viceroy Alexieff's movements are not known definitely in Japan, there seems to be no doubt that he has left Port Arthur. While his object in going north, whether to Mukden or Harbin, is not known for certain, may be, as reported, to consider the plan of operations; it is believed he must also have another object relating to the administration of Manchuria—that is, the steps to be taken against the so-called mounted bandits, who are evidently becoming a peril to Russian interests. It is thought that when General Kuropatkin assumes control of the military forces and Admiral Makarov of the fleet, Viceroy Alexieff may attend exclusively to administrative affairs. It seems to us more probable, however, that he will hold the position of Commander-in-Chief of both the naval and land forces, thus becoming responsible for the general plan of operations.

The report of Admiral Alexieff on the sinking of the torpedo-laying steamer *Venise* by striking a mine in Port Arthur states that Captain Stepanoff, three officers, and ninety-two men were killed.

A meeting of the ladies of the foreign community in Nagasaki was held in the Nagasaki Hotel a few days ago, when it was decided to raise a fund to assist the families of the Reservists who have been called out for service; and also to receive gifts of clothing and other things which may be useful to them. A Committee was appointed representative of all nationalities. Mrs. Layard was elected Treasurer, and Mrs. Evington Secretary.

The Eschequer Bonds, which are to be shortly issued to the amount of ¥100,000,000, have, as already stated, been largely oversubscribed, the amount applied for up to 22nd ult. reaching ¥220,000,000.

A dispatch from Peking says that although it is given out that Viceroy Alexieff has left Port Arthur for the benefit of his health, it is believed the real object is for the study of Yalu geography and formulating a plan of operations in that region.

Mr. Omori, manager of the Hakodate Dock Company, and six other Japanese residents of that port who were suspected of being Russian spies, have been ordered to leave Hakodate. The total number of Japanese who have left Hakodate in similar disgrace has now reached twenty-five.

COMMERCIAL.

The week's quotations close as follows:—
Banks ... \$ 50.10
Uni ... \$ 48.50
China Trade ... \$ 55.10
North China ... \$ 57.00
Hongkong ... \$ 57.00
China Fire ... \$ 50.00
H. C. and M. Steamboats ... \$ 27.10
Indo China ... \$ 84.10
China Manila ... \$ 23.10
Douglas ... \$ 33.10
China Sugars ... \$ 107.10
Charbonnages ... \$ 500.00
Rauhs ... \$ 64.10
H'kong & W'poo Docks ... \$ 202.10
H'kong & K'loon Wharfs ... \$ 95.00
Farnham ... \$ 115.10
Hongkong Lands ... \$ 148.10
Hongkong Hotels ... \$ 144.10
Humphreys Estate ... \$ 104.10
Green Islands ... \$ 244.10
Hongkong Ropes ... \$ 150.10
Hongkong Ice ... \$ 227.10
China Providents ... \$ 8.80
Watkins ... \$ 74.10

RAUB CRUSHING.

The Raub crushing for the past four weeks has resulted in 1,100 ozs. gold from 6,000 tons ore.

PUNJONS.

The acting secretary of the Punjom Mining Company informs us that the result of the February crushing at the mines as received by wire is as follows:—63 ounces gold from 760 tons crushed, estimated value \$1,500. The crushing includes 20 tons from the recently discovered reef at Manik yielding 4 ounces.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.
London—Bank T.T. ... 1/10 1/2
Do. demand ... 1/10 7/16
Do. 4 months' sight ... 1/10 11/16
France—Bank T.T. ... 2/34
America—Bank T.T. ... 45 1/2
Germany—Bank T.T. ... 109 1/2
India T.T. ... 138 1/2
Do. demand ... 138 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T. ... 71
Japan—Bank T.T. ... 92
Singapore—Bank T.T. ... Nominal
Java—Bank T.T. ... 112 1/2
Buying.
4 months' sight L/C ... 1/10 1/2
6 months' sight L/C ... 1/10 1/2
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York ... 46
4 months' sight do. ... 46 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne ... 1/11 1/2
4 months' sight France ... 2/34
6 months' sight do. ... 2/34
4 months' sight Germany ... 105 1/2
Bar Silver ... 262 1/2
Bank of England rate ... 4 1/2

OPUM QUOTATIONS.
To-day's quotations are as follows:—
Malwa New ... 900/940
Old ... 970/1,040
Patna New ... 1,080/1,120
Patna Old ... 1,250
Persian Paper ... 90/910

To-day's

Advertisements.

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TO-NIGHT (FRIDAY), and TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), "THE MESSENGER BOY."
POSITIVELY LAST 2 NIGHTS.
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PLANS AT ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.
Late Tram Each Night 15 minutes after Fall of Curtain.
W. FLEMING VALLANCE, Manager.
Future pieces will be duly advertised.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [266]

NAVY CONTRACTS 1904-5.
SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be received by the VICTUALLING STORE OFFICER, H. M. Victualling Yard, until Noon on MONDAY, the 14th March, for the undermentioned articles:—
FRESH BEEF.
FRESH VEGETABLES.
FRESH POTATOES.
RICE.
SUGAR.
Form of Tender and further particulars are to be obtained at the Office of the VICTUALLING STORE OFFICER.
Samples of Sugar and Rice to accompany Tenders.
The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.
H. WANGHAM, Victualling Store Officer.
H. M. Victualling Yard, Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [330]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from Eagle's Nest Hills, South-East of Tai Po Road (5 1/2 miles), in a direction due North, against the Southern Slope of Needle Hill to the North-West of that road (7 miles) on the 7th March, 1904, between the hours of 8 A.M. and 2 P.M.
If the Weather is unfavourable on the above date, Practice will take place on the 8th March, during the same hours.
By Command, A. M. THOMSON, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [331]

FOR SINGAPORE AND RANGOON.
THE STEAMSHIP
"KONIGSBERG,"
Captain Mayer, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 6th instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised. This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers and carries a Doctor. For Freight or Passage, apply to HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [332]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Steamship
"LOONGSANG,"
Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 8th instant, at 4 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light, and carries a Doctor. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [333]

To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 19th March, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts for the 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 19th of March, both days inclusive.

J. WHEELEY, General Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [334]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-HAMA, KOBE AND MOI.
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [112]

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "TREMONT," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-HAMA, KOBE AND MOI.
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
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Personal application only to the Principal, WARWICK PEELE.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [333]

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21 LESSONS to Completion of Full Course.
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Can a person of ordinary intellect master it in six weeks? ... YES.
The full course to completion and fast writing in six weeks? ... YES.
Do you examine us on each lesson? Personally or by post? ... YES.
Is it easy to learn and to read? ... YES.
Is it accepted by Government Offices the world over? ... YES.
Do you give a certificate of competency on completion? ... YES.
Do you supply a lesson book to each pupil and show the date each lesson is given? ... YES.
Then this is proof of the pupil's progress; and before receiving the 12th lesson I must write 120 words a minute? ... YES.
Shall I be competent to write a shorthand letter and make notes? ... YES.
At the third lesson within one week? ... YES.
The pupils take as long as they like between the lessons; they master one and then come (or send if a Postal Pupil) for the next.
It is not a School or a Class; you come for 10 minutes at any time you like between 9 A.M. and 6 P.M. take your lesson and return when you have learned it.

PRINCIPAL: WARWICK PEELE, (late Special Reporter, British Houses Lords, Commons and High Courts).
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [298]

EYE-SIGHT.

MR. N. LAZARUS
May be personally consulted for SPECTACLES.
No charge for testing the eyes.
Glasses and frames of all kinds and qualities.
Prices from \$2 upwards.
16, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. [44]

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

DINNER. TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 5th March.

MENU.
HORS D'OEUVRES.
Caviare and Olive Croûtons.

SOUP.
Consommé à la Windsor.

FISH.
Boiled Salmon Sauce Hollandaise.

ENTREES.
Pigeon en Compote.
Veal Cutlets and Spinach.
Tomato Farci.

CURRY.
Oyster.

JOINTS.
Roast Sirloin of Beef and Horseradish.
Roast Chicken and Bread Sauce.
Boiled York Ham and Sour Croust.

COLD.
Roast Lamb and Mint Sauce.
Cucumber Salad.

SWEET.
Bread and Butter Pudding.
Raspberry Ice Cream.
Cherry Tart. Tipsy Cake.

DESSERT. COFFEE. FRUITS. [333]

WATKINS.

TWO CHINESE MASTERS for a School in Yunnan. A knowledge of ENGLISH and MANDARIN necessary. Application should be addressed to the Education Department, Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [329]

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, the 8th and 9th March, 1904, at 10 A.M., at H. M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDRY NAVAL AND VICTUALLING, OBSOLETE AND CONDEMNED STORES, Comprising:—
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HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [327]

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FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 8th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 22nd March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 24th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OOPACK"	On 31st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 12th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 16th April.

S.S. "TELEMACHUS" left Singapore at noon yesterday, and is due here on the 8th inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	"AJAX"	On 15th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 15th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 29th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 12th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 26th April.

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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"NINGCHOW"	On 24th March.

S.S. "TYDEUS" left Victoria, B.C., on 21st inst. for Japan and Hongkong.

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, 4th March, 1904

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Days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays
at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao, Week Days at about
2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.
FARE—(Week Days) 1st Class (including
cabin and servants), \$5; Return Ticket, \$5;
and Class \$1; 2nd Class, 50 cents.
On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class
Single Ticket, \$3; Return Ticket, \$5. Return
Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,
\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with
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WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok
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The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY
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MING ON & CO.,
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Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.

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THE New Twin Screw Steamers

Tons	Captain
"KWONG CHOW" 1,309	J. P. MARTIN.
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Leave Hongkong for Canton at 8.30 Every
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Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5 o'clock
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These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled
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Hongkong, 17th February, 1904.

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Light, First Class Accommodation. Un-
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1904. [104]

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SERVICE.

THE Commodious Steamer

"PAUL BEAU,"

Captain Frangeul, leaves Hongkong for Canton
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THURSDAYS, returning to Hongkong the
following Days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M., taking
Passengers and Cargo as usual and will shortly
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These Two Magnificent and Up-to-Date
Steamers, are lighted with Electricity.
The Saloon is under European Supervision.
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For further Particulars, apply to
J. LANDOLT, Agent,
THE PHARMACY, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1904. [222]

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"BRAEMAR,"

Captain S. L. Saxby, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on MONDAY, the 7th instant,
at 4 P.M.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [109]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND
YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"ARMAND BEHIC,"

Captain Flamin, will be despatched for the
above Ports on or about MONDAY, the
7th March.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 29th February, 1904. [9]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG,"

Captain E. J. Tadd, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 8th instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904. [319]

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR AMOY, SWATOW, STRAITS
AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship

"PENTAKOTA,"

Captain R. N. Coope, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 8th instant, at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1904. [315]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"BRISGAVIA,"

Captain Schulte, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th March,
at Noon.
For Freight, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 29th February, 1904. [30]

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK
VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(With liberty to call at Philippine Ports.)

THE Steamship

"KENNEBEC,"

Captain Geo. R. Wallace, will be despatched as
above on or about TUESDAY, the 23rd inst.
For Freight or further information, apply to
STANDARD OIL COMPANY
OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904. [317]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1904. About

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUK.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG,"

Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 5th instant,
at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS, LAFRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1904. [318]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"SAXONIA,"

Captain Brehmer, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on THURSDAY, the 10th instant,
at 4 P.M.
For Freight, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1904. [326]

Intimations.

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For full Particulars, &c., &c., Apply to
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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1903. [61]

"Sanitas"
IS AN
Unequalled
Purifying Agent
AND IS
Indispensable in Hot Countries.

"Sanitas" Disinfecting Fluid
is non-poisonous and non-odorous, and for
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It completely disinfects the house in which
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Cholera, Typhoid Fever, Dysentery, &c.

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is the best air purifier known, and a stronger
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besides being pleasant and refreshing.

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Kingszett's Fumigating Candles
supply the safest and most convenient means
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THE leading English Newspaper in China
Also widely circulated in Japan, Ceylon,
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The daily is recommended as more generally
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A special feature is made of full and accu-
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The Hongkong Telegraph is the best
medium for advertising in China. It circulates
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is the largest daily newspaper and has a
wider circulation than any journal in the Far
East.

Special attention given to effectively display-
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The type used as a standard for setting
advertisements is similar to this, unless we are
instructed to display the advertisement, when
any effective style of type will be adopted.
This standard runs exactly eight lines to the
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One week	 1.50
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No charge less than one dollar.

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Notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.
\$1 each insertion in the Daily and Weekly.

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Special Rates for standing advertisements
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Advertisements for the Daily should reach
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Unless otherwise specified all advertisements
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Job Printing of all descriptions undertaken.

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All job printing is done under European
supervision, well turned out, free from error,
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Estimates given for all classes of work on
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THE MANAGER,

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Hongkong.HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL
SIGNALS.

A NEW CODE.

We have received from the Hongkong
Observatory a new code of meteorological
signals which comes into force at Hongkong
on New Year's Day. They are the same as
those at present in use at Shanghai, and will
be hoisted on the mast beside the time-ball at
Kowloon Point for the information of masters
of vessels leaving the port. They do not neces-
sarily imply that bad weather is expected. The
signals are as follows:—

A cone point upwards indicates a typhoon to
the North of the Colony.

A cone point upwards and drum below in-
dicates a typhoon to the North-East of the
Colony.

A drum indicates a typhoon to the East of
the Colony.

A cone point downwards and drum below
indicates a typhoon to the South-East of the
Colony.

A cone point downwards indicates a typhoon
to the South of the Colony.

A cone point downwards and ball below
indicates a typhoon to the South-West of the
Colony.

A ball indicates a typhoon to the West of
the Colony.

A cone point upwards and ball below indicates
a typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be more than 300 miles away from
the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be less than 300 miles away from
the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be
hoisted only when typhoons exist in such posi-
tions or are moving in such directions that in-
formation regarding them is considered to be of
importance to the Colony or to shipping leav-
ing the harbour.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad
weather in the Colony and that the wind is
expected to veer.

Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate
bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is
expected to back.

The signals are repeated on the flagstaff of
the Godown Company at Kowloon, and also,
by day only, at the Harbour Office and on H
M's Receiving Ship.

LOCAL STORM-WARNINGS.

The Colony itself is warned of approaching
typhoons by means of the Typhoon Gun placed
at the foot of the mast, which is fired whenever
a strong gale of wind is expected to blow here.

NOTICE BOARDS.

Notice boards are placed at:—
Joint Cable Companies' Office.
Ferry Company's Pier, Ice House Street.
Blake Pier.
Post Office.
Harbour Office.
Ferry Company's Pier, Kowloon.

WEATHER-FORECASTS and STORM-
WARNINGS are exhibited on the above boards
daily about 11 a.m., and also at other hours,
day or night, whenever necessary. Informa-
tion of importance is also issued by "Express."

THE CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL
REGISTER is exhibited at the same places daily
about noon. It contains observations made at
Hongkong and at a number of stations in the
Far East, together with Remarks, Weather
forecasts, and information regarding the exist-
ence and movements of typhoons based thereon.

SPECIAL INQUIRIES

Masters of vessels or their agents may,
whenever necessary, call at the Telegraph
Company's Office in Connaught Road and
send telegrams to the Observatory asking for
special information without charge. Such
inquiries may also be sent from the Police
Station at Kowloon Point which is connected
with the Observatory by telephone.

THE LAW OF STORMS.

Further information concerning the weather
to be expected while signals are hoisted, and
sailing directions are given in "The Law of
Storms in the Eastern Seas."

F. G. Figg,

Acting Director.

Hongkong Observatory, 2nd January, 1904.

Also JEFFREY'S popular EDINBURGH XXX TOUT in cases of 7 doz. pints.

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BOOTS & SHOES:—The following Boots and Shoes are made in Northampton of the finest English leather, which is especially selected for us by a trade expert.

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This is absolutely the largest stock in the East.

Give us an order for a trial pair.

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" Box Calf, Heavy Sole (Lace) ... "	14.50
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Brown Willow Calf, whole golosh (Lace) ... "	13.00
" Glace Kid (Two shapes) ... "	12.50 & 13.00
" " no toecap ... "	11.50
" Russian Calf, Round Toe ... "	12.00
" Willow Calf Heavy Sole ... "	14.50
" Grain, Waterproof Shooting Boot (Lace) ... "	17.50
Black Crup Shooters (Lace) ... "	13.00
Patent Leather Kid Top Lace or Button ... "	13.00
" Military Dress Boot, Spring Sides ... "	13.00
" Oxford Dress Shoes ... "	6.00 8.50
" Pumps (Court Shoes) ... "	6.00 8.50
White Canvas Boots ... 6.50 Bound Leather	8.50
" Shoes ... pair	4.00 to 7.00
Fawn Canvas Boot, Kid Lined and Bound ... "	8.50
Brown Glace Kid Shoes ... "	6.50 & 8.50
" Calf Shoe ... "	9.00
Black Calf Shoe ... "	6.50
" Glace Kid Shoe ... "	8.50
Brown Leather Shoe red rubber sole ... "	8.50 10.00
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White Dress, Centre Stud Hole ... each	\$3.00 3.75 5.00 7.25
White, 2 Stud for Business Wear ... "	3.25
White, Short Front ... "	2.75 3.25
White Lawn, Soft Front ... 6 oz. in weight	3.00
Superfine White Zephyr or Cambric,	
Soft Front Stiff Cuffs ... "	4.00
White Twill, Silk Finish, for Tennis ... "	3.25
White Cellular with Detachable Collar ea.	2.50 3.00 3.50 3.75 4.00
White Cellular Stiff Linen Cuffs ... "	3.75
Finest White Zephyr Tunics (Self Stripe) ... "	4.25
White Mat (Self Stripe) Detachable Collar ... "	3.75
Colored Print Tunics (Fast Collars) ... each	3.00 3.50 3.75
Superior French Print Tunics, Stiff Front and Cuffs ... "	4.50
Best Coloured Zephyr & Oxfords (Tunics) best quality ea.	4.00 4.25
Colored Flannel Shirts, Detachable Collar ... each	6.50
" " Unshrinkable ... "	8.50

ENGLISH HANDMADE NECKWEAR.

Fly End or handkerchief Ties ... each	1.00 to 2.50
Made up colored Silk Bows ... 75 cts.	1.00 1.25
Ascot Ties for Tying in a large Puff of Black Satin, Black Soft	
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Stock Ties for Riding, etc. ... each	1.25 1.50 2.50
A large Variety of Woven Silk Tubular, Bow	
Tie, all latest patterns ... each	1.00
A small Tie suitable for Bow or Knot in light	
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Etc., Etc., Etc.	

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Plain Black or Navy Cashmere ... pair	1.00 1.25 1.50
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Embroidered Silk for Dress Wear ... "	2.75 to 6.50
Plain Black Silk ... "	2.25 to 5.00
Tan Silk and Wool, Splendid value ... "	1.75
Lisle Thread, Plain Black or White ... "	1.00
" " (Openwork) ... "	1.00 1.50
" Embroidered " for Dress Wear pair	1.75
Black Ribbed Imitation Silk ... pair	1.25
Fine Black Cotton, Embroidered ... 1/2 doz. pairs	4.50
Pure Natural Wool ... 1/2 Hose pair from	0.85
Merino ... pair from	0.40
Warm Woollen for Winter Wear ... pair from	1.00
Tan Cotton " Hercules " Special ... pair	1.00
Hose for Shooting, Football, Cycling, Golfing	
etc., a large variety of Patterns, Scotch	
Knit ... pair	2.00 to 4.50

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English Balbriggan ... vests each	1.65 to 2.50
" pants ... "	1.85 to 2.50
India Gauze ... vests ...	1.25 to 1.50
" pants ... "	1.25 to 2.00
" Athletic Vests, no buttons ... "	2.00
Pink or Pale Blue Wool ... vests ...	3.00 to 3.25
" pants ... "	3.00 to 3.25
Natural Undyed Wool ... vests ...	2.75 to 4.00
" pants ... "	3.00 to 4.25
Pure Natural Wool Unshrinkable ... vests ...	4.50 to 5.25
" pants ... "	5.00 to 6.00

Everything for Ladies' & Children's Wear.

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A splendid selection of Woollen Rugs, fringed	
6.00 7.50 8.50 10.00 12.50 14.00 16.00 20.00 25.00	
Reversible ...	9.00 12.00 15.00
Pure Wool, Scotch make ...	12.00 15.00 18.00 20.00
Tartans in all the leading Clans	15.00 17.50 22.00 24.00 25.00

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A large assortment of Trunks in various	
sizes, light or heavy weight ... each	17.50 to 45.00
Dress Baskets ... each	30.00 to 40.00
Small Trunks, suitable for Cabin use, in	
American Cloth, Mail Canvas and	
Leather, prices ranging ... each	15.00 to 25.00
Tin Trunks in all sizes, Sole Leathersuit Cases each	28.00 to 35.00
Fitted Dress suit Cases, sole Leather, containing	
pair best quality military hair brushes, hat	
brush, clothes brush, shaving brush in bottle,	
tooth brush in bottle, razor, strop, mirror, price	50.00 to 70.00
Gladstone Bags, best cowhide 20" to 30" ...	25.00 to 35.00
Fitted Bags, best cowhide ...	70.00 to 90.00
Soiled Linen Bags with Brass Fittings and padlock	4.00 to 7.50
Waterproof Holdalls, Umbrella Cases, etc., etc.	
Luggage Straps, labels, etc. at moderate prices...	

SUNDRIES:—

Braces \$1.00 to 3.00 pair, Links and Studs of all kinds...	
Leather Belts, ... Pigskin 2.00 Football belts from 0.75	
Black Silk cummerbunds for dress wear ... each	3.00 3.25
Puggarees, 0.85 to 3.00... Hatguards, Armlets, etc...	

Everything for Ladies' & Children's Wear